

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2017-10 ML**

**May 31, 2017**

**I. NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TREATED WASTEWATER INTO WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA**

NPDES permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

An antidegradation analysis is conducted, as applicable, for new or expanded point source discharges that are proposed. The analysis evaluates whether allowing lower water quality is necessary to accommodate important economic or social development in the area in which the waters are located. In all cases, existing instream water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect the existing use is maintained and protected.

All municipalities must be in compliance with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Service Delivery Strategy in order to receive a permit.

Having reviewed such applications, the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is considering the issuance of NPDES permits to the following applicants, subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions.

**NPDES PERMIT REISSUANCE**

**Bleckley County**

City of Cochran, Post Office Box 8, Cochran, GA 31014 NPDES Permit No. GA0032107, for the City of Cochran Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) located at 315 West Railroad Avenue, Cochran, Georgia 31014. Up to 1.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Jordan Creek in the Ocmulgee River Basin.

**Fulton County**

Fulton County Department of Public Works, 141 Pryor Street S.W., Suite 6001, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, NPDES Permit No. GA0038831 for its Johns Creek Environmental Campus Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) located at 8100 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell, Georgia, 30022 (Fulton County). 15.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged into the Chattahoochee River in the Chattahoochee River Basin. The permit also includes provisions to allow distribution of treated effluent to reuse customers. LAS Permit GAJ020043 will be rescinded by EPD once NPDES Permit No. GA0038831 is effective.

**Lamar County**

Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC, 800 Mt. Vernon Highway, Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30328, NPDES Permit No. GA0038768, for its granite quarry facility located at GA Highway 36 in Lamar County, Barnesville, Georgia. Approximately 0.68 MGD of process wastewater and stormwater is discharged to Little Buck Creek in the Ocmulgee River Basin.

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**Lanier County**

City of Lakeland, 64 S Valdosta Road, Lakeland, Georgia 31635, NPDES Permit No. GA0021296, for the Lakeland Water Pollution Control Plant located at South Linda Road, Lakeland, GA 31635. Up to 0.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Big Creek in the Suwannee River Basin.

**Lee County**

Lee County Utilities Authority, 103 Main Street, Leesburg, Georgia 31763, NPDES Permit No. GA0026603, for the Kinchafoonee Creek Water Pollution Control Plant located at 1576 US Highway 19 South, Leesburg, GA 31763. Up to 1.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Kinchafoonee Creek in the Flint River Basin.

**Wayne County**

The Chemours Company TT, LLC, P.O. Box 753, Starke, Florida 32091, NPDES Permit No. GA0050250, for its titanium ore mining facility located in Jesup, Wayne County, Georgia. Approximately 0.142 MGD of process water is discharged to Milliken Bay in the Altamaha River Basin.

**Wilkinson County**

BASF Corporation, 1277 Dedrick Road, McIntyre, Georgia 31054, NPDES Permit No. GA0003131, for its kaolin mining and processing facility located in McIntyre, Wilkinson County, Georgia. Approximately 13.11 MGD of treated kaolin processing wastewater comingled with stormwater is discharged to Bluff Creek, Commissioner Creek, Little Commissioner Creek, and Buckhorn Branch in the Oconee River Basin

**COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL PERMIT**

**Rabun County**

Having reviewed the application which has been submitted, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is considering covering the following applicant under General NPDES Permit GAG640000, subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions:

Rabun County Water & Sewer Authority (WSA), P.O. Box 191, Clayton, Georgia, 30525 for the Little Tennessee Water Treatment Plant (WTP) located at 402 Kelly's Creek Road, Rabun Gap, Georgia 30568 (Rabun County).

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**INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PERMIT**

**Appling County**

Interfor US, Inc. – Baxley Sawmill, 1830 Golden Isles East, Baxley, Georgia 31513, Permit No. GAP050276, for its timber products facility located at 1830 Golden Isles East, Baxley, Appling County, GA 31513. Approximately 0.040 MGD of pretreated process wastewater is discharged to the City of Baxley’s WPCP in the Altamaha River Basin.

**Emanuel County**

City of Swainsboro, Post Office Box 600, Swainsboro, Georgia, NPDES Permit No. GA0039225, for substantial modification to its Yam Grady Creek Water Pollution Control Plant’s industrial pretreatment program. The modification will serve to revise the Authority’s local limits.

**II. LAND APPLICATION SYSTEM PERMIT REISSUANCE**

Land Application System (LAS) permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

All municipalities must be in compliance with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Service Delivery Strategy in order to receive a permit.

**LAS PERMIT REISSUANCE**

**Bryan County**

Bryan County Water and Sewer Utility Department, 66 Captain Matthew Freeman, Jr. Drive, Suite 201, Richmond Hill, Georgia 31324 LAS Permit No. GAJ020024, for its South Bryan County land application system located at 600 Waterways South in Richmond Hill, Georgia. 0.2 MGD of treated wastewater is being land applied to a site in Bryan County in the Ogeechee River Basin.

**Tattnall County**

DNR State Parks & Historic Sites, One Conservation Way, Brunswick, Georgia 31520. LAS Permit No. GAJ020255, for its DNR Lynntown Road at Gordonias-Altamaha State Park land application system located at 162 Park Lane Hwy 280W, Reidsville, Georgia 30453. Up to 0.18 MGD of treated wastewater will be land applied to a site in Tattnall County in the Altamaha River Basin.

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Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations are invited to submit same in writing to the EPD address below or via e-mail at [EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov), no later than July 3, 2017. Please use the words "Public Notice No. 2017-10 ML" and the name of the subject facility that you are commenting on in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff. All comments received prior to or on that date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. In the case of the permits which are on this notice for proposed modification, only those conditions subject to modification are open to public comment.

A fact sheet or copy of draft permits is available by writing the Environmental Protection Division. The permit application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are available for review at 2 MLK Jr. Dr. S.W., 1152 East Tower Atlanta, Georgia 30334. For additional information contact: Jeff Larson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-1511. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice for Approval for the Substantial Modification to the Emanuel County Water Authority Industrial Pretreatment Program.**

**The following applicant has applied for approval of substantial modification to its industrial pretreatment program:**

**City of Swainsboro, Post Office Box 600, Swainsboro, Georgia, NPDES Permit No. GA0039225, for substantial modification to its Yam Grady Creek Water Pollution Control Plant's industrial pretreatment program. The modification will serve to revise the Authority's local limits.**

On the basis of preliminary staff review and the application of the Industrial Pretreatment Regulations, EPD proposes to approve the Authority's substantial modification to its industrial pretreatment program

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations are invited to submit same in writing to the EPD address below, or via e-mail at [EPDcomments@dnr.state.ga.us](mailto:EPDcomments@dnr.state.ga.us), no later than forty-five (45) days after this notification. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include the words "Pretreatment Program Modification – City of Swainsboro)" in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff. All comments received prior to or on that date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. A public hearing may be held where the EPD Director finds a significant degree of public interest in a proposed permit or group of permits. Additional information regarding public hearing procedures is available by writing the Environmental Protection Division.

The proposed substantial modification submittal and comments received are available by writing the Environmental Protection Division at 2 MLK, Jr. Dr., Suite 1152E, Atlanta, Georgia 30334, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A copying charge of 10 cents per page will be assessed. For additional information contact: Audra Dickson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone 404.463.4934 or e-mail [audra.dickson@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:audra.dickson@dnr.ga.gov).

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**EPD Stakeholder Meeting**  
**Watershed Protection Branch**  
**Discussion of Phase II Permit Reissuance**

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), Watershed Protection Branch, NonPoint Source Program, is conducting two stakeholder meetings to discuss the reissuance of the Phase II MS4 General NPDES Permit. The NPDES Permit was last reissued on December 6, 2012, and will expire on December 5, 2017. The Permit reissuance will authorize the discharges of stormwater from the MS4 to waters of the State of Georgia for the period from 2017 to 2022. A draft permit is available for review at the link below:

[Stakeholder Draft 2017 Phase II Permit](#)

The purpose of the meetings is to provide stakeholders with the opportunity to request clarification on the Permit requirements. Also, stakeholders will be allowed to provide comments which will be considered during finalization of the NPDES Permit. The stakeholder meetings will be held as follows:

**Perry**

**Date/Time:** June 16, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

**Location:** Houston County Government Building  
801 Main Street, Perry, GA 31069

**Atlanta**

**Date/Time:** July 10, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

**Location:** Environmental Protection Division, Tradeport Training Room  
4244 International Parkway, Suite 114, Atlanta, Georgia 30354

Written comments on this draft permit should be sent by July 14, 2017, to [Anna.Truszczynski@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Anna.Truszczynski@dnr.ga.gov), or [Lisa.Perrett@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Lisa.Perrett@dnr.ga.gov), or mailed to:

Watershed Protection Branch, Environmental Protection Division  
NonPoint Source Program, Suite 1462 East  
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
Atlanta, GA 30334.

EPD will consider the discussions held and comments received during the stakeholder process in the proposed permit reissuance. Please share this information with persons who may be interested.